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Dear Harold,

Please find enclosed as a holiday gift an oil painting of a nature scene that I had painted myself about 6 weeks ago. I hope it is to your liking. I started doing nature scenes about a year ago to conbat boredom during the snow storms that we had last year. I've never had an art lesson in my life. I learned by watching a man named Bob Ross on tv. The technique used was invented by this man Ross. I don't know if you've ever seen him on tv. He died in July of 95. He was a young man of 52 when he died.

How are you both feeling? I hope that you are both doing well. I think of both of you every week. I saw a news article in todays paper that tells about the Confederate museum that opened in Frederick on Patrick St. I assume that this museum is near Hannah's restaurant where we've gone to eat. Anyway when I've the chance I'll clip that article and send it to you. I've been very busy with my job right now, working alot of overtime painting the whole inside of one of the schools.

I also started to reread the first Whitewash again for the third time. I'm on chapter 4 but had to put it aside due to my long hours at work and also getting ready for the holidays.

Well I hope the painting that I've sent adds some cheer to your Holiday season. Hope you are both OK. May try to drive down to Baltimore soon and come to Frederick.

Have a blessed holiday season
Your friend,

Scott Wilson

P.S. What are you keeping yourself busy with these days?

Everyone here is well.